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SUBJECT: COMPUTER LIBERALIZATION

1. ACCORDING TO APRIL 5 NIHON KEIZAI PRESS REPORT, MITI VICE MINISTER MOROZUMI MET WITH PRIME MINISTER TANAKA APRIL 4, PRESENTED MITI'S FINALIZED PLAN FOR COMPUTER, INTEGRATED CIRCUIT (I. C.) LIBERALIZATION.

PRESS INDICATED CONTENTS OF PLAN AS FOLLOWS:

(A) IMPORT OF COMPUTERS, PERIPHERALS AND PARTS TO BE LIBERALIZED IN THREE YEARS;

(B) IMPORT OF I. C.'S WITH UP TO 200 ELEMENTS TO BE LIBERALIZED IMMEDIATELY; THOSE WITH MORE ELEMENTS TO BE LIBERALIZED IN TWO YEARS;

(C) COMPUTER SOFTWARE CAPITAL LIBERALIZATION (50 PERCENT) TO BE IN THREE YEARS;

(D) GOJ SUBSIDIES TO TOTAL 80 BILLION YEN.

2. SAME PRESS REPORT SAID TANAKA APPROVED GENERAL OUTLINE LIBERALIZATION PLAN, MITI TO CONVEY FINAL PLAN TO U. S. SIDE
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THROUGH U. S. EMBASSY TOKYO, PERHAPS ON APRIL 5.

3. EMBASSY OFFICER DISCUSSED ABOVE WITH HIRABAYASHI, DIVISION
FIRST OVERSEAS MARKETING DIVISION, MITI IN ATTEMPT TO CONFIRM
NEWS STORY. HIRABAYASHI CONFIRMED THAT TANAKA- MOROZUMI MEETING
TOOK PLACE APRIL 4, AND THAT COMPUTERS WERE DISCUSSED. HE
DENIED, HOWEVER, ANY KNOWLEDGE RE CONTENT OF DISCUSSIONS.
ALSO, SAID " UNTHINKABLE" THAT MITI PREPARED TO GIVE FINAL
LIBERALIZATION PLAN TO U. S. EMBASSY AS REPORTED.
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